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REPORT

TOPIC Soviet Occupation Troops in ALTENBURG

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REMARKS

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The following observations were made in ALTENBURG (N 51/A 27):

1. Infanterie Kaserne: One motorized artillery battalion. About 100 troops were observed being instructed in the kaserne yard. Four prime movers and about 20 new trucks with trailers were parked in the kaserne area. No heavy weapons were observed. ZIS trucks were identified:

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A new garage had been constructed, bordering on the gun storage buildings.

2. Artillerie Kaserne on Leipzigerstrasse:

Occupied to capacity by an artillery unit of about regimental strength. Thirty large round-tents sheltering troops were observed in the kaserne area. About 12 guns of 150 mm caliber on four-wheel mounts, coupled to caterpillar tractors were parked in the kaserne area. Numerous new motor vehicles

were lined up. The passenger car and the truck left the kaserne.

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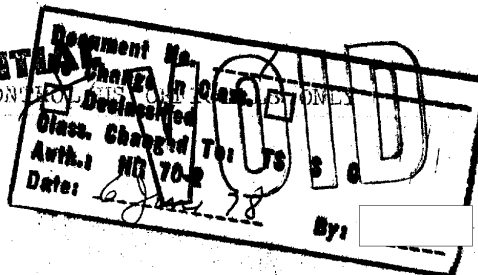
3. trucks were identified in the streets of ALTENBURG:

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Comment: The report indicates that most of the ALTENBURG troops (component units of the 43rd (Gds) Gun Arty Brig) had already returned to their military post by late August 1949.

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